

15-90 Corridor IC Consortium News



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*Anaconda – Deer Lodge, Beaverhead
Butte – Silver Bow & Granite Counties*

Project Receives SIEC Approval . . .

A formal letter of approval for our project was received by the Project Director from Ron Warren. The letter indicated that the Concept Demonstration Project Abstract submitted by the 15-90 Corridor Interoperability Consortium was approved by unanimous vote at the November 30, 2004 SIEC Meeting. Ron Warren has been assigned as Special Projects Coordinator from the Public Safety Services Bureau for our project. Welcome aboard Ron! We look forward to working with you.

Site Visits . . .

The following site visits have been completed by Federal Engineering.

Anaconda – Deer Lodge: Tower at C-Hill, Fire Hall and Law Enforcement/911

Beaverhead: Dispatch/911, Search & Rescue/EOC and Forest Service Dispatch

Butte – Silver Bow: Public Safety/911 and Fire Department

Granite: Dispatch/Sheriff's Office/911

The following sites were not accessible due to the winter season. However, sufficient

information has been collected to allow work to proceed with the development of the system recommendation.

Anaconda – Deer Lodge: Rumsey Mountain Tower

Beaverhead: 4 Towers

Butte – Silver Bow: Red Mountain Tower

Granite: 2 Towers

Town Meetings . . .

Town Meetings have been approved by Federal Engineering for inclusion in the Statement of Work for the project. A total of four town meetings will be conducted with one in each county. The date, time and place of each meeting will be scheduled at the next meeting of the consortium. The Town Meetings are provided, without cost, in lieu of not being able to make site visits to various locations because of winter conditions.

Public Access to 15-90 Corridor IC Project Information . . .

A web page has been established to allow public access to the proceedings of the 15-90 Corridor IC Project. The web page is provided in line with Montana's Open

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Meetings Law that requires information be made public. The web page is maintained by the State of Montana. We will continue to add documents to this page as information becomes available.

Please share the web address with others. The web address is:

www.discoveringmontana.com/itsd/policy/SIEC/cdprojects/15-90/15-90.asp

The following documents are available on the web page.

Meetings . . .

08-17-04
09-17-04
10-15-04
01-07-05

15-90 Project Documents . . .

Letter of Intent
Memorandum of Understanding
SIEC CDP Proposal Abstract
Project Director Job Description
Presentation to Governor's Conference 2005

News . . .

Newsletter 01-30-05
Newsletter 02-28-05

Federal Engineering (FE) . . .

Statement of Work 10-12-04
FE Program Orientation Meeting 01-07-05
FE Status Report 01-31-05
Project Milestone Schedule 01-31-05

Governor's Conference . . .

Jim Minor, the Project Director, made a presentation about the 15-90 Corridor IC Project at the Governor's Conference held in mid-February in Helena. The presentation provided a roadmap that others could use to develop a consortium to address interoperable communications in their community. The presentation was well received.

Next Meeting Scheduled . . .

The next meeting is March 15, 2005 in Butte at the Silver Bow Courthouse, Corner of Montana & Granite, First Floor Conference Room, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. For more information please contact Jim Minor, Project Director, at 859-2809 or jminor@blackfoot.net. See you there!

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